

SENATE BILL 1714
By Person, Curtis

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63,
Chapter 11, Part 2, and Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 2,
relative to patient notices.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 11, Part 2, is amended by
adding the following new section:

63-11-226

Psychologists, senior psychological examiners, and psychological examiners are
not required to notify patients that were treated by them at community mental health
centers, as defined in § 33-1-101, of their departure from such community mental health
centers. Patient records shall remain with the community mental health centers. The
transfer of patients' records shall be in compliance with standards set by state and
federal law.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 2, is amended by
adding the following new section:

63-6-238

Psychiatrists are not required to notify patients that were treated by them at
community mental health centers, as defined in § 33-1-101, of their departure from such
community mental health centers. Patient records shall remain with the community
mental health centers. The transfer of patients' records shall be in compliance with
standards set by state and federal law.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring
it.